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1. The MOSCOW (37°32'E/55°47'N) Central Airport located in the northwestern sector of the capital on Leningrad Highway has a large concrete area, about 2,000 feet square, which allowed aircraft to take off in all directions. The airfield had the following installations:
 - a. A large administration building with restaurants, lounge rooms, and a weather station.
 - b. Thirty to forty hangars and workshops. Sport and transport aircraft were housed in the hangars. The most frequently observed type was the IL-12.
 - c. Red boundary and obstacle lights, illuminated wind-direction indicator, searchlights mounted on a tower, special apron lighting facilities, and a smoke generator.
 - d. An underground fuel dump at the northeastern edge of the field, about 3,300 feet from Leningrad Highway.
 - e. Camouflaged dispersal areas with revetments in a woods at the northwestern edge of the field.

Comment: The data on the night flying installations of the field and the presence of many transport aircraft support the assumption that, besides commercial flying, training in night and blind flying is conducted there.

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